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In re application of:

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Serial No.: New Application

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For: ADVANCED WATER TREATMENT SYSTEM AND ADVANCED WATER TREATMENT METHOD

Group Art Unit:

Examiner:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

June 26, 2001

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to the examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows. A copy of the marked-up original claims is attached showing the changes as set forth in amended 37 C.F.R. 1.121.

(Amended) The advanced water treatment process according to claim 6. 1, wherein the minute bubbles of ozone are supplied to a water pipe connecting one treatment tank with another treatment tank, both tanks being installed in a treatment system.

